



## **STEM Reading Challenge!**

Following on from all the brilliant reading you have been doing for Miss Northen's weekly focus and also more recently world Book Day, I would like to set you a challenge! STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and maths and I would like you to try and read some books relating to STEM during British Science Week. They can be fiction or non-fiction (some of the best STEM themes are contained within fiction books but non-fiction fact based books are excellent too).

I will be launching British Science Week with a whole-school assembly and I will be reading a STEM based story to get you started. I am hoping that your class teachers will also share another STEM book with you all this week too. After that it's up to you! There are lots of titles to choose from on our school virtual library pages [https://brandesburton.e-riding.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Virtual\\_Library\\_Nov\\_2021-1.pdf](https://brandesburton.e-riding.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Virtual_Library_Nov_2021-1.pdf)

and I have asked your teachers to make sure they have a basket of STEM books in your classrooms too.

I have also attached a reading list to give you some ideas. You can find these books on youtube so you can listen to them and share them with your family even if you don't have a copy of the book.

Have a look at the different STEM reading challenges you can take part in. Which ones will you do?

### Challenge One:

Read or share with an adult or sibling five of the STEM related books in the school virtual library or on the reading list. The one I read in assembly will count as one and if your teacher reads another one, there's two already!

### Challenge Two:

Read one further STEM related book at home that *isn't* already in the school virtual library. This can be a hard copy of a book you already have or perhaps one you access through YouTube. It can be on the attached reading list or one you find yourself. Let us know if you think we should add it to our school virtual library for others to share!

### Challenge Three:

Take part in a shared reading group in your class using one of the books that were shortlisted as finalists in the recent Royal Society Young People's Book Prize. Your class teacher will organise this.

Please upload a photograph of yourself to your class Seesaw or Evidence Me account for challenge one and two and/or add a comment or ask an adult to write a comment in your reading log too.

A class certificate will be issued to every class that participates in challenge three and an individual certificate will be awarded to all those that take part in challenge one or two. For the chance of a bonus prize, complete a book review on one of the books you have read or draw a picture of it and we will ask our science governor, Mrs Carey, to choose some winners.

Please complete your reading between **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March** and **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March** as this is when British Science week runs.

Happy reading!

Mrs Platten

STEM lead